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Almighty and Eternal God, thy majesty and power and love exceed our comprehension; we search for adjectives to describe thee - and yet we see thee only in part, - through a glass darkly. Descend upon us, our Father; give us the grace to know thee: open our eyes to thy presence in our midst and in every situation. O thou who hast given us minds that do not rest from searching ^{thee} and a hunger that is not satisfied until it finds thee, we are grateful ~~that~~ for all thou art - and all that hast made us.

Hear us now, as we each one silently, give thee thanks.

Our Father, hear the prayers of thy thankful people through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let us pray for our nation and its leaders.

O thou who art the God and Father of all mankind, we thank thee for our nation, and we humbly beseech thee in its behalf. Be with its leaders, keep it strong, be ^{thy} guide - through J.C. our Lord.

Let us pray for victims of bigotry and hatred in our land; for those who have suffered in the struggle for dignity and equality - especially the Peck family; for those who must live under the oppression of prejudice; - and for those consumed by their own hatred.

- We pray for our nation in this hour of difficulty - we pray for those whose years of oppression have made them impatient for what is rightfully theirs. We pray for those whose guilt - is the guilt of us all. Through J.C.

Let us pray for ~~the Church~~ that others; for those of our own number who are ill - ~~especially~~

O thou God of mercy be with thy children in illness: be with the sick and with all those of our number who on this day need the comfort and healing presence of thy H.S.

Be ^{thou} ~~with~~ our wisdom, our guide and judge. Grant us thy grace that we may reflect in our lives the abundant love thou hast expressed in J.C. our Lord.

Hear us now as we pray to thee - the prayer our Lord taught his disciples saying.